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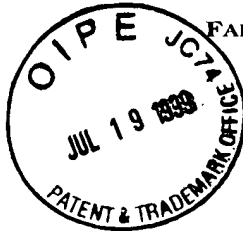
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Application No.: 08/776,044

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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) of prior Application No. 08/776,044 entitled SEQUENCE-BASED MUTATION ANALYSIS OF NEOPLASTIC TISSUE FOR DIAGNOSIS OR PROGNOSIS OF THE NEOPLASIA by the following named Inventors:

Margaret BYWATER, Per LINDSTRÖM, Mats INGANÄS

This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d)(4).

a. DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:

b. The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.

The above-identified prior application in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all of the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

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1. Enter the Amendment previously filed on , under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 but unentered, in the prior application.
- ✓ 2. X A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
3. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
4. A new power of attorney or authorization of agent is enclosed.

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 1 and 2 above.

			LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
BASIC FEE			\$760.00	\$380.00
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	14- 20 =	0	x 18 = \$ 0	x 9 = \$
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4- 3 =	1	x 78 = \$ 78.00	x 39 = \$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED			+ \$260.00	+ \$130.00
TOTAL			\$ 838.00	

5. Small entity status:

 A small entity statement is enclosed.

 A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.

 Is no longer claimed.

6. Priority of Application No(s). on filed in is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on .

7. X Priority of International Appln. PCT/SE95/00804
filed on June 29, 1995 under the Patent Cooperation
Treaty and Swedish Application Nos. 9402487-4 and
9403953-4 filed in Sweden on July 15, 1994 and
November 16, 1994 under 35 U.S.C. § 119 are hereby
reclaimed.

8. X Address all future communications to:

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9. X The applicants hereby petition for an extension of
three (3) months pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.17 and
1.136(a). The fee has been calculated as shown below:

X NO extensions of time have been previously obtained in
the prior application. Thus, a fee of \$ 870.00 is
required for the full period of the above-requested
extension of time.

 An extension of month(s) was previously
requested and paid for on in
the prior application. Thus, a fee of \$ is
required to obtain an additional month(s) in
order to establish copendency with the present
application.

✓ 10. X A check in the amount of \$ 1,708.00 is enclosed.

11. Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount
of \$. A triplicate copy of this request is
enclosed.

12. The filing fee is NOT attached. Please issue a Notice
requesting the filing fee.

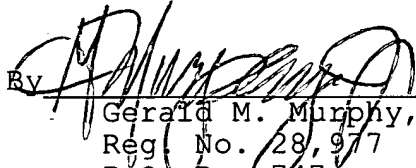
13. Also enclosed herewith is the following:

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. § 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all of the other applications in the same file wrapper.

Respectfully submitted,

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